

Amendments to the Abstract of the Disclosure:

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure section starting at page 54, line 2 and ending at page 54, line 22 with the following replacement section.

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--An image-forming apparatus and an image-forming method using a cleanerless system ~~are disclosed~~ in which a non-contact developing assembly develops an electrostatic latent image with a magnetic one-component developer to form a magnetic-toner image and collects a magnetic toner remaining ~~having remained~~ on the charging object member, ~~a. A charging member to be charged~~ is charged by means of a charging assembly having a charging member ~~the surface of which. The surface of the charging member~~ is movable with a velocity differential in the opposite direction with respect to ~~a the surface of the charging object member, and~~ conductive. Conductive particles are present at least at the contact surfaces between the charging member and the charging object member. ~~A The velocity differential between the surfaces is in a range of from -101 % to -400 %; the. The~~ charging member has a surface roughness Ra in a range of from 1  $\mu$ m to 500  $\mu$ m; the. The charging object member has a surface with a contact angle to water of from 86° to 103°; ~~and the. The~~ magnetic one-component developer is composed of a magnetic toner having at least a binder resin and a magnetic material; and has an average circularity of 0.950 or more.--